

The bill for the relief of Elam Bailey, of Baltimore county, was read the second time, and passed.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

## F R I D A Y, December 6, 1793.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. T. Wootton appeared in the house.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to explain and declare the law in certain cases therein mentioned. ORDERED, That Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Sprigg, Mr. J. Worthington, Mr. Hayward and Mr. Waggaman, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The house resumed the further consideration of the order of the day respecting the petition exhibited by Edward Dorsey, son of Caleb, against William Whetcroft, and after making further progress therein, referred the same for further consideration until to-morrow morning.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

## S A T U R D A Y, December 7, 1793.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Barnes appeared in the house.

A petition from the vestry of Saint-John's parish, in Prince-George's county, praying that a law may pass, ascertaining three acres of land secured to the parish by an act passed in May, 1748, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Johnson and Mr. T. Wootton, to consider and report thereon.

A remonstrance from Robert Lemmon, of the town of Salisbury, counter to the petition of sundry inhabitants of said town of Salisbury, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed to report on the said petition.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. King be added to the said committee.

A petition from John Waters, junior, of Queen-Anne's county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from George Grundy, and others, of Baltimore county, counter to the petition of Rebecca Dulany, was preferred and read.

The bill to appoint commissioners to straighten and amend the roads therein mentioned, and for other purposes, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative, and sent to the senate, with the bill to establish a bank in the district of Columbia, the bill for the relief of Elam Bailey, of Baltimore county, the resolution in favour of Joseph Forman, the resolution approving of the proclamation of the governor to guard against the malignant and contagious fever in Philadelphia, and the resolution in favour of John Wilkins and Leah Wilkins, by the clerk.

The report on the petition of Basil Williams and John Crookshanks, was read the second time, and the resolutions therein contained assented to.

A petition from Leigh Master, of Frederick county, praying an act of naturalization may pass in favour of his son, Leigh Hoskin Master, and his children, and his daughter, Catharine Master, of the kingdom of England, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Waggaman, Mr. Duvall and Mr. Lloyd, to consider and report thereon.

The house resumed the further consideration of the order of the day respecting the petition exhibited by Edward Dorsey, son of Caleb, against William Whetcroft, and after making further progress therein, referred the same for further consideration until Monday next.

The bill further supplementary to an act, entitled, An act to prevent the importation of slaves into this state, was committed for amendment.

Mr. M'Pherson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Cawood, collector of Charles county, beg leave to report, that the said Benjamin Cawood produced no vouchers to your committee which entitled him to a credit on the treasurer's books, at par, for the fund tax collected in the years 1781 and 1782.

Your committee further report, that there appears to be a small balance due the said Cawood from the state for assessment due on the property belonging to the state, for which, your committee are of opinion, the said Cawood ought to be credited on his bond, the interest being first added on the balance so due.

Your committee further report, that on examination of the said Cawood's vouchers, they find that he has paid into the treasury, since the last session of assembly, the sum of £. 1195 19 5 specie, and that there still remains due to the state, on the second payment, the sum of £. 230 8 10.

Your committee further report, that by a copy from the records of the general court, it appears, that the said Cawood has a suit depending against Thomas Russell, who was formerly one of his deputies; that auditors have been appointed, and report that the sum of £. 969 0 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  is due the said Cawood by the said Russell beyond the interest, which amounts to £. 713 12 11, the whole balance then appears to be £. 1682 13 0, for which sum the said Cawood expects a judgment next term.

Wherefore your committee are of opinion, that the indulgence prayed for ought to be granted, as it would greatly benefit the petitioner and his securities, and not materially injure the state. Your committee therefore beg leave to submit the following resolutions:

RESOLVED,